

<b>Examiner-Initiated Interview Summary</b>	<b>Application No.</b> 09/579,285	<b>Applicant(s)</b> ADAMS ET AL.	
	<b>Examiner</b> Darren W. Ark	<b>Art Unit</b> 3643	

**All Participants:**

**Status of Application:** Amdt. after Non-Final of 3/23/04

(1) Darren W. Ark.

(3) \_\_\_\_\_.

(2) David N. Fronek.

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**Date of Interview:** 15 September 2004

**Time:** 1:00pm EST

**Type of Interview:**

- ☒ Telephonic  
☐ Video Conference  
☐ Personal (Copy given to: ☐ Applicant ☐ Applicant's representative)

**Exhibit Shown or Demonstrated:** ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, provide a brief description:

**Part I.**

**Rejection(s) discussed:**

*Rejections of Non-Final action mailed 3/23/04*

**Claims discussed:**

*1, 3, 4, 8, 9, 12, 20, 25-32, 34, 38, 41-43*

**Prior art documents discussed:**

*Prior art of record*

**Part II.**

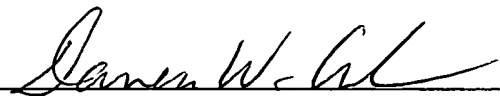
**SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW DESCRIBING THE GENERAL NATURE OF WHAT WAS DISCUSSED:**

*See Continuation Sheet*

**Part III.**

- ☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview directly resulted in the allowance of the application. The examiner will provide a written summary of the substance of the interview in the Notice of Allowability.  
☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview did not result in resolution of all issues. A brief summary by the examiner appears in Part II above.

**DARREN W. ARK**  
**PRIMARY EXAMINER**

  
(Examiner/SPE Signature)

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(Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature – if appropriate)

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was discussed: Examiner indicated that claim 38 did not distinguish over North '847 since the body (35) can be considered the free end and the eyelet for the line can be considered the line connection end wherein the hollow body (10) has a first end molded into the free end (35). Claim 38 does not particularly recite the position/orientation of the second end. Examiner suggested amending claim 38 to recite the hollow member second end which extends from the free end. Applicant agreed to incorporate the limitation of claim 42 into claim 38 and cancel claim 43 since it is the same as claim 41. Please see Examiner's Amendment for details.